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Draft resolution submitted by the President of the General Assembly

Strengthening of the capacity of the Organization on peacekeeping operations

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the objective of strengthening the United Nations capacity to manage, sustain and increase the effectiveness of peacekeeping activities while at the same time ensuring the safety and security of all United Nations personnel and improving accountability and effective management of personnel and resources,

1. *Commends* the Secretary-General for his efforts to enhance the performance of the Organization in the conduct of peacekeeping operations;

2. *Supports* the restructuring of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, including the establishment of a Department of Field Support, and notes, in this regard, the intention of the Secretary-General to appoint the Under-Secretary-General to head that Department;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report, as soon as possible, elaborating on the restructuring of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the establishment of the Department of Field Support, including functions, budgetary discipline and full financial implications — taking into account, inter alia, the recommendations of the report of the Office of Intern... Oversight Services[1] — for the consideration of and decision by the General Assembly during its sixty-first session, in accordance with established procedures;

4. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to take full account of the views of the Member States in this regard, including those expressed in the 2007 session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, in particular the need to take all measures to guarantee unity of command, to promote integration of efforts and to strengthen operational capacities, both at headquarters and in field missions;

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5. *Stresses* that the actions to restructure the Department of Peacekeeping Operations should be implemented with full respect for the relevant mandates, decisions and resolutions of the General Assembly and of the Security Council;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session a report to review the implementation of the present resolution.

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Strengthening of the capacity of the Organization to advance the disarmament agenda

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 31/90 of 14 December 1976, 37/99 K of 13 December 1982 and 52/12 A of 12 November 1997,

Reaffirming the central role and primary responsibility of the United Nations in the field of disarmament,

Bearing in mind the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and the financial regulations and rules of the Organization,

Taking note of the intention of the Secretary-General to establish an Office for Disarmament Affairs and to appoint a High Representative as the head of this Office,

1. *Supports* the establishment of an Office for Disarmament Affairs, while maintaining the budgetary autonomy and the integrity of the existing structures and functions of the current Department for Disarmament Affairs, and the appointment of a High Representative as the head of the Office for Disarmament Affairs at the rank of Under-Secretary-General, and welcomes the fact that the High Representative will report to the Secretary-General directly and be part of the policy decision-making process of the Secretariat;

2. *Stresses* that the Office for Disarmament Affairs will fully implement the relevant mandates, decisions and resolutions of the General Assembly;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, as soon as possible following the appointment of the High Representative, a report, in accordance with established procedures, on the financial, administrative and budgetary implications arising from the appointment of the High Representative and the implementation of the mandates assigned to the Office for Disarmament Affairs;

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4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-second session on the activities of the Office;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly for its consideration at its sixty-third session a report to review the implementation of the present resolution.